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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	]	
CONNECTING A PASSENGER BRIDGE]	]	
TO AN AIRCRAFT (As Amended)	]	

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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE**

The publications identified on the attached form include the publications that were cited in the International Search Report issued by the Swedish Patent Office in connection with the international phase of the above-identified international application (PCT/SE2004/001351). The Swedish patent identified on the attached form was

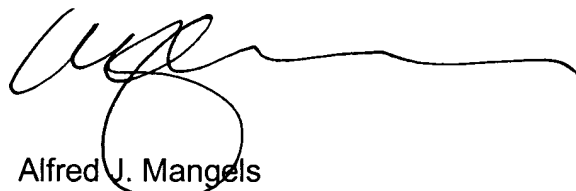
referred to in the Background of the Invention section of the present application.

Copies of each of the foreign publications, of the International Search Report, and of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability based thereon are also enclosed.

The other U.S. published applications and patents listed on the attached form also relate to aircraft passenger bridges as do the Other Documents also listed on that form. Copies of the Other Documents are also enclosed.

Early and favorable action on this application is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner have any question he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney so that any such question can be quickly resolved in order that the present application can proceed toward allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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